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SUBJ: MINISTER OF LABOR'S DEPARTURE STATEMENT

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1. DURING AIRPORT INTERVIEW PRIOR TO MAY 12 DEPARTURE FOR INVITATIONAL TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES, LABOR MINISTER COSTA MARTINS SUCCESSFULLY PARRIED NEWSMEN'S LOADED QUESTIONS WITH CONCILIATORY (FROM U.S. VIEWPOINT) REPLIES. MINISTER STATED PORTUGAL'S OBJECTIVE IS TO MAINTAIN BEST POSSIBLE RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES. IN REPLY TO QUESTION ABOUT U.S. PRESS HOSTILITY TOWARD PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION HE DIFFERENTIATED BETWEEN ATTITUDES OF PRESS AND GOVERNMENTS. MINISTER SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT TO RAISE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS OF MULTINATIONAL FIRMS WITH USG.

2. MINISTER MADE POINT TO LABATT THAT HE HOPES TO BRING ABOUT AN IMPROVEMENT IN CURRENT STATE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND HIS TRIP IS DESIGNED TO HELPBRING ABOUT THAT IMPROVEMENT.

3. MINISTER EXPRESSED HOPE THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI IN WASHINGTON.

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